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Newsletter Week 3, Term 4, 2020

## Key Dates

Date:	Event:
October 26 - 30	Year 10 Exams
November 10	Year 10 Love Bites Program
November 13	NAIDOC Indigenous Artist Visit
November 17	Year 6 Taster Day – experience a day as a Year 7 student
December 1	Year 6 Orientation Day
December 16	Last Day of Term 4

## Principal's Report

Planning for 2021 is well under way with subject selections having taken place and staff allocations being considered. We have started work on our 2021 – 2024 school plan and reviewing what programs and procedures will drive school improvement going forward. I'm really excited by the prospect of new students starting next year and have been delighted to hear that students are choosing Finley High School as their school of choice when in the past it may have been a private school in Victoria. This is validation for the great work our staff are doing and the positive feedback I am receiving in the community.

### Year 6 Taster Day & Orientation Day

I would like to welcome all Year 6 students from our feeder schools to attend our taster and orientation day. These days provide an opportunity for the students to better understand the structure of high school including timetables, classrooms, and to meet staff and students. It is about familiarising them with our environment and their peers.

**Taster Day- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

**Orientation Day- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

Please forward any enquiries to Mrs Kathryn Dempster or Mrs Jacqui O'Bryan, Year 7 Year Advisors or Mrs Jodi Brown the Student Support Officer. I look forward to meeting the future Year 7 students on these days.

### Did you Know? We have a new App **SENTRAL**

(Skoolbag will be unavailable in 2021)

Get on board so that you can see your child's school reports, newsletters, send notes and more.

For more information see page 6 of this newsletter or call the school office.

## Staff Development days

In support of a smooth start to the 2021 school year, and to ensure principals are able to give time to high impact professional learning for their staff, the DoE has released advice regarding School Development Days (SDDs). The following amendments to SDDs will take effect from the beginning of the 2021 school year. These amendments will impact the number of SDDs occurring in Terms 1 and 4, while SDDs occurring in Terms 2 and 3 will remain the same. Commencing at the start of 2021, changes include:

- an increase from one to two SDDs at the commencement of Term 1
- a decrease from two to one SDDs at the end of Term 4.

The School Development Days are scheduled for the 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of January. Students will return to school on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January 2021.

## 2021 Student Representative council

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October we inducted our Student Representative Council (SRC). As the name of this team suggests, these are students who have been elected and are willing to represent the students of Finley High School, they are the voice of the students. SRC representatives are selected for their leadership qualities to enhance the Finley High School community, focussing on the needs of the student body, they are our social conscience. We congratulate all of our 2021 SRC representatives.

Year 7 - Charlton Baxter, Angus Hay, Rosie Steel

Year 8 - Charlotte Hurlston, Faith Vidler, Erica Nicholls

Year 9 - Jack Hay, Meg Marshall, Kadeesha Conlan

Year 10 - Madison Kleinschmidt, Isabella Kelly, Archie Mason

Year 11 - Abbey Marshall, Jemma Coombs, Rose Chamberlain, Will Anderson, Rory Knight



## Assembly

Every second Tuesday we will be having an assembly in the hall to celebrate success. Last week we thanked the outgoing SRC and welcomed the new SRC. We awarded certificates to these students. We also congratulated and awarded the Cross Country Winners, and also the Life in Lockdown Competition winners.



## World Teachers Day breakfast

Last Friday a BBQ breakfast was organised for all the staff to celebrate World Teachers Day. A simple but lovely gesture to thank our staff for everything they do for our students. Thank you Mrs Brown for organising this and to Mr O'Hora and Mr Tessier who once again cooked a great BBQ.

## Football colours day

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October students and staff took the opportunity to dress up in their favourite football team colours. Geelong jumpers were everywhere, outnumbering Richmond jumpers 20 – 1. There was a fantastic vibe in the school as students heckled the Principal in his Richmond tigers gear. As it turned out I had the last laugh but I was a very humble winner, not wanting to upset the majority of students and staff on Monday (except for Mr Tessier and Mr O'Hora).

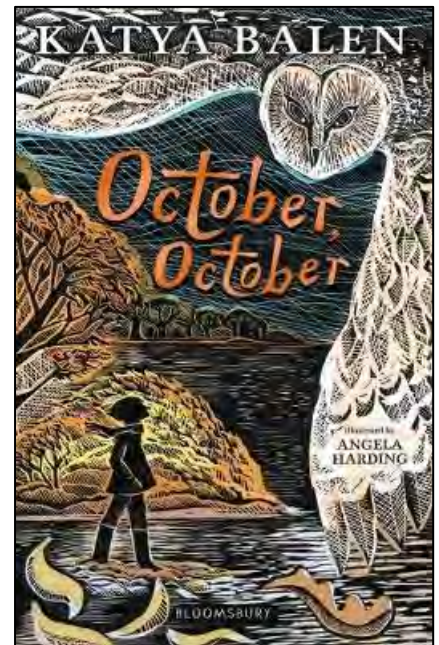
*Jeff Ward, Principal*



## Library News

Check out the new fiction books in the library about children living 'WILD'.

October and her dad live in the woods. They sleep in the house Dad built for them and eat the food they grow in the vegetable patches. They know the trees, rocks, lake and stars like best friends. They read books they buy in town again and again until the pages are soft and yellow - until next year's town visit. They live in the woods and they are wild. And that's the way it is. Until the year October turns eleven. That's the year October rescues a baby owl. It's the year Dad falls out of the biggest tree in their woods. The year the woman who calls herself October's mother comes back. The year everything changes.



The world's in trouble. When war comes to the heart of the Italian city where Isabella lives with her family, everything changes. She makes the long journey with her dad to a safer place - the old house where he grew up in the north of England. Isabella must adapt to a completely different life. No shops, no electricity, no phone signal. No friends or neighbours - until she meets two 'wild' children. Rowan and Kelda live by themselves, hidden from the world, survivors of the sickness that swept through the valley. When Dad fails to return from a trip to find food, Isabella has to work out what to do and how to survive. Together, can the children build a new life, a life for the future? What do we really need for a happy life?

## What's Been Happening at Finley High ?





## Canteen Roster and Community News

### CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP

Canteen Contact -  
0473 946 683

The Canteen/Uniform Shop is open from  
8.30am – 2.30pm Monday to Friday

#### November

2	M.Read	9	J.Orro
3	T.Clarke	10	G.Ferguson
4	K.Peacock	11	W.Doolan
5	J.Blackmore	12	L.Knight
6	K.Dawe	13	N.Wilkinson

#### LOST PROPERTY

There are a large number of school uniform items in lost property. If your child is missing items please have them check lost property located in the photocopy room. Remember to Label all items.

## CLEANERS REQUIRED

Joss Facility Management are looking for cleaning staff to work at local Government sites across regional NSW.

PPE, Training and Uniforms provided.

Applicants need to provide a valid Working With Children Check upon application and successful applicants will be required to undertake a pre-employment medical prior to commencement.

Please contact Joss Facility Management via email on [careers@jossgroup.com.au](mailto:careers@jossgroup.com.au)



Check us out on Facebook [Joss Cleaning](#)

or visit our webpage  
[www.jossgroup.com.au](http://www.jossgroup.com.au)

NSW Department of Education

# Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:



Learn



Build  
friendships



Develop  
life skills



Respectful, Responsible Learners





**'Will I be a good dad?'**

is a common concern amongst new dads and dads-to-be.

## The Focus on New Fathers program provides a free text message based service called SMS4dads.

### Free tips, tools and links - directly to dad's phone

To help new dads and dads-to-be navigate the changes, before and after the birth of their baby, NSW Health and the University of Newcastle have partnered to deliver SMS4dads.

Once new dads and dads-to-be are registered, they'll receive practical tips, tools and helpful links directly to their phone.

### You're eligible:

- if you are 18 years or older
- if your partner is at least 16 weeks (four months) pregnant; or
- from your baby's birth until they are 6 months old.

### For more information

visit [www.health.nsw.gov.au/focus-on-new-fathers](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/focus-on-new-fathers)

Just wanted to say thanks for this project. The text messages have been invaluable and I couldn't have known just how much I needed to receive these short and helpful messages.

**Registration is free and easy.**

[www.health.nsw.gov.au/focus-on-new-fathers](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/focus-on-new-fathers)



**BE AMBITIOUS**

# STATEMENT OF ATTAINMENT IN RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL

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## Course Details

The nationally recognised Statement of Attainment in Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) is the mandatory training to sell and serve alcohol in NSW. When you successfully complete this short course, you will get an interim certificate of competency, so you can use your qualification the same day.

### LEARN NEW SKILLS

Through theory and practical course work, you will learn:

- How to provide responsible service of alcohol
- NSW liquor laws and selling serving or supplying alcohol responsibly
- About intoxication
- About secondary sales/supply
- How to help customers to drink within appropriate limits
- How to assess alcohol-affected customers and refuse service
- How to perform an identification check
- Strategies for harm minimisation
- Compliance and enforcement

### Contact Us:

TAFE NSW Finley Campus Ph: (03) 5883 9700

### COURSE SNAPSHOT

**Location:**  
Finley Golf Club  
Tongs Street, Finley

**Course:**  
Statement of Attainment in Responsible Service of Alcohol

**Cost:**  
\$165.00

**Date:**  
Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**Time:**  
9am – 4:30pm



**TAFE** NSW

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\*Terms and conditions may apply.



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## FREE Autism- Specific Training

**Aspect are offering FREE  
autism-specific training in  
Deniliquin**

**Supporting individuals  
on the Autism Spectrum**

**Presented by**

**Lucy Absalom (Occupational Therapist)**

**Isabella Barbaro (Speech Pathologist)**

**When:** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of November 2020

**Time:** 6:30pm – 8pm

**Where:** Deniliquin RSL 72 End Street,

**Deniliquin**

**Mountbatten Room**

### Registration

Please register your interest by  
contacting

Ashlee Huntly (Allied  
Health Assistant – Deniliquin) on  
0490 250 970 or [ahuntly@  
autismspectrum.org.au](mailto:ahuntly@autismspectrum.org.au).

Places in these workshops are  
limited and open to all  
members of the community.

*Guided by Government advice and directives, Aspect  
are taking all necessary precautions to ensure the  
safety and well-being of participants and staff.*



+ 61 1800 ASPECT (277 328) | [autismspectrum.org.au](http://autismspectrum.org.au)

## Experience the new Sentral for Parents App

**We've listened, and reinvented.**

Our new school engagement app has  
been developed to help you stay connected  
and informed about your child's education.

**Discover the possibilities and  
download the app today.**

To get started visit:

[www.sentral.com.au/our-products/parents](http://www.sentral.com.au/our-products/parents)

